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SUBJ: SALE OF USS WALDRON (DD699) TO COLOMBIA

REF: (A) CHNAVSEC USMILGRP 171500Z SEP 73; (B) STATE 171141

1. AFTER AN INSPECTION OF WALDRON BY THE PROSPECTIVE COLOMBIAN
COMMANDING OFFICER AND DEPARTMENT HEADS FROM 12 TO 15 OF SEPTEMBER
IN MAYPORT, FLORIDA, THE COLOMBIAN NAVY NOTIFIED THE U.S.
NAVY AS REPORTED BY REFTTEL (A) OF ITS ACCEPTANCE.

2. THE SCHEDULE FOR TURNOVER AND TRAINING OF THE COLOMBIAN
CREW IS AS FOLLOWS:

15 SEPT - 31 OCT FAMILIARIZATION OF PROSPECTIVE COMMANDING
OFFICER AND DEPARTMENT HEADS ABOARD WALDRON IN MAYPORT, FLA.

15 OCT - 82 OFFICERS AND PETTY OFFICERS FORMING NUCLEUS OF
COLOMBIAN CREW ARRIVE BY AIR AT MAYPORT.

26 OCT (APPROX) - REMAINDER OF COLOMBIAN CREW ARRIVES MAYPORT.

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31 OCT - USS WALDRON TO BE HANDED OVER TO COLOMBIAN NAVY AS

ARC SANTANDER.

1 NOV - 5 NOV - LOCAL TRAINING OPERATIONS IN MAYPORT AREA

5 NOV - 10 NOV ENROUTE GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

12 NOV - 30 NOV UNDERWAY TRAINING, GUANTANAMO BAY, CUBA

3. THE COLOMBIAN NAVY AS WELL AS THE CHIEF OF THE US NAVAL
MISSION TO COLOMBIA ARE HIGHLY PLEASED WITH THE CONDITION OF
THE SHIP AND ANTICIPATE NO REQUIREMENTS FOR MAJOR REPAIRS PRIOR
TO PLACING THE SHIP IN THE COLOMBIAN SERVICE.
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